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**Fortieth Annual Report**

**TO THE**

**Trustees of Shaw University**

**AND THE**

**Secretary of the American Baptist  
Home Mission Society**

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## President's Report.

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RALEIGH, N. C., May 31, 1905.

DEAR BRETHREN:—I submit herewith my tenth Annual Report, which is the fortieth since the establishment of the Institution. The enrollment for the year ended May 31 was five hundred and four, surpassing previous records. On account of limited accommodations we began, on August 20th, to refuse applications for the school-year 1904-5. At the April and May commencements there were sixty graduates; twenty-one in Medicine, six in Pharmacy, two in Law and thirty-one from the College and Normal Departments. More than thirty certificates were granted for completion of work in the various Industrial Departments.

Intellectually and spiritually the year has been successful and there has been a good degree of co-operation on the part of Faculty and students. The average attendance was large, and the students generally are beginning to understand the importance of being present at the opening of the session and remaining until the close. It has been a hard year for the teachers, many of whom have been overworked on account of the large classes and limited facilities for doing their work.

Financially the year has been a little better than the last. The slight increase in charges augmented somewhat the total receipts, but the severity of the winter, making such large demands for fuel, and the continued high prices for groceries and other supplies, made a deficit inevitable. It is considerably smaller than last year, and it is hoped next year the receipts will equal the expenditures.

I wish to call attention again to recommendations previously made showing the necessity for improvements. While the year has been reasonably prosperous and successful, we have been hampered by lack of library, reading-room and class-room facilities, as well as inadequate chapel, dining room and kitchen accommodations. It seems almost inconceivable that an Institution of the grade of Shaw University, with an enrollment of 504 students and sixty graduates in a single year, can do its work as well as it has. It will be impossible to keep up with the educational progress and spirit of the times unless there are enlargements and improvements in practically every Department.

The movement on the part of the colored people to raise funds to meet the conditional gift of the Home Mission Society is going on successfully under the energetic management of Rev. J. A. Whitted, D. D. When this movement has been brought to completion, the girls' accommodations will be reasonably adequate, and the men's Industrial Department will be well provided for.

In view of the continued large attendance, the most careful attention must be paid to sanitation. To this end the city government should be induced to extend the sewer through Smithfield St. Connections can then be made with this sewer from the Leonard Medical and Pharmacy Buildings and the Medical Dormitory, and the necessary toilet and bath room facilities provided in the Medical Dormitory and additional facilities of the same nature in Shaw Hall. The laundry, kitchen and dining room facilities are inadequate to meet the demands made upon them and it will be impossible to run these departments with any degree of satisfaction to the students, till more room and better accommodations are provided.

It is hardly just to hold the President and Faculty responsible for an harmonious and acceptable administration of these departments under present conditions. The chapel is woefully inadequate and must be enlarged at an early date or a new one provided. The only school rooms for the Literary Departments are in the basement of a dormitory that ought to be used for other purposes. A large recitation Hall must be erected at a very early date or Shaw cannot possibly maintain a high standard in her College and Normal work.

Upon my request the Executive Board of the Home Mission Society recommended to the Women's Home Mission Society in Chicago the discontinuance of The Missionary Training School. This request was not made from any desire to hamper the work of the Home Mission Society, or because the character and quality of the work done in The Missionary Training School were not of a high order. But the Medical Department has so grown in numbers and increased in importance in the last few years that the maintenance of a high standard and increased efficiency demand the use of this property as a nucleus for a larger Hospital and Training school for Nurses. It is recommended that the building hitherto used by The Missionary Training School be devoted to hospital purposes until funds can be obtained for the erection of a spacious hospital, when the present building can be converted into a Training School for Nurses, a purpose for which it is well adapted.

This Report should not close without referring to the most

unique and trying experience through which the Institution has passed since it was established in 1865. On February 5th one of the young women in Estey was taken sick with a mild type of smallpox. She was at once removed to the smallpox hospital in the suburbs of the city. Between Feb. 5 and March 5 there were 12 cases, only 4 of which were genuine cases of smallpox, the remaining 8 being suspects, but the whole 12 were removed to the smallpox hospital as soon as their cases appeared at all suspicious, and they remained there an average of sixteen days. Sunday evening, Feb. 26, the Institution was placed under quarantine, which was raised Monday morning, March 20. A few of the students lost their heads and four were arrested and fined by the Mayor for breaking the quarantine. It may justly be regarded remarkable that under these trying conditions the regular work of the Institution was carried on through the entire period of sickness and quarantine. Too much cannot be said in praise of a large majority of the students for being calm and level-headed at a time when it would have been comparatively easy to lose their judgement and break up the work in all Departments. Since the Professional Departments closed on April 18, all the dormitory rooms, school rooms and other places of public assembly have been thoroughly fumigated by Dr. M. D. Bowen, the resident physician. Dr. Bowen during the long trying weeks, both by day and by night, handled the situation admirably and was highly praised by the city physician and health officer. The city authorities could not have treated a white Institution more carefully or considerately than they did Shaw University. Great praise is also due Miss Charlotte Murray, the matron of the girls' dormitory, where the epidemic broke out and the severest cases occurred, for her self control and wise management of her building.

## FINANCIAL REPORT.

I append herewith my financial report that has been forwarded to Mr. Frank T. Moulton, Treasurer.

## MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

## RECEIPTS.

Tuition .....	\$ 2183.00
Board .....	5911.00
Contributions .....	613.07
Old Accounts .....	66.00
Slater Fund .....	1000.00
J. W. Leonard Fund .....	250.00
Sundries .....	36.55
Deficit .....	879.60
	<hr/> \$10,939.22

## EXPENDITURES.

School Supplies .....	\$ 234.60
Boarding Department .....	2987.76
Repairs .....	31.80
Additions to Property .....	209.10
Student Labor .....	9.76
Salaries:	
Jas. McKee M. D. ....	\$ 650.00
A. W. Knox, M.D. ....	650.00
K. P. Battle .....	650.00
W. I. Royster .....	650.00
R. H. Lewis .....	325.00
J. M. Pickel .....	650.00
A. W. Goodwin .....	650.00
Superintendent of Hospital, ....	135.00
Hosp. nurses .....	267.67
Janitor Service .....	146.67
	<hr/> 4774.34

## Sundries:

Dissecting material, Hospital supplies, travelling expenses, etc. ....	484.68
Deficit 1903—1904 .....	2207.18
	<hr/> \$10,939.22

## PHARMACY DEPARTMENT.

## RECEIPTS.

Tuition .....	\$ 604.00
Board .....	1024.00
Old accounts .....	22.00
	<hr/> \$1,650.00

## EXPENDITURES.

School Supplies .....	\$ 43.25	
Boarding Department .....	557.04	
Salary C. B. Crowell .....	650.00	
Sundries, Travelling Expenses.....	89.00	
Surplus .....	310.71	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,650.00

## LAW DEPARTMENT.

## RECEIPTS.

Tuition .....	\$ 104.00	
Board .....	100.00	
Deficit .....	126.76	
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## EXPENDITURES.

School Supplies .....	\$ 11.44	
Boarding Department .....	75.96	
Salary E. A. Johnson .....	204.00	
Sundries .....	39.36	
	<hr/>	\$ 330.76

## LITERARY DEPARTMENT.

## RECEIPTS.

Tuition .....	\$ 2790.92	
Board .....	9244.20	
Contributions .....	713.89	
Old accounts .....	69.43	
Slater Fund .....	1500.00	
All other sources .....	327.64	
	<hr/>	\$ 14,646.08

## EXPENDITURES.

School Supplies .....	\$ 479.26	
Boarding Department .....	5850.54	
Repairs .....	831.25	
Special Improvements .....	599.26	
Student Labor .....	843.58	

## Salaries:

M. L. Hamilton .....	\$ 400.00	
J. M. Linton, on acc't.....	300.00	
E. C. Pegues .....	400 00	
I. L. Bronson.....	400.00	
Five Assts. ....	1240.00	
Other Employees .....	1311.17	
	<hr/>	4051.17
Gratuities in rebates .....		251.74

## Sundries:

Travelling Expenses, printing, diplomas, etc. ....	1648.79	
Surplus .....	90.49	
	<hr/>	\$ 14,646.08

## LITERARY DEPARTMENT.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

A. B. H. M. S. ....	\$ 8280.00	
Woman's Society of Chicago .....	680.00	
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## EXPENDITURES.

Chas. F. Meserve .....	\$2000.00	
N. F. Roberts .....	650.00	
A. W. Pegues .....	800.00	
M. D. Bowen .....	500.00	
C. R. Frazer .....	600.00	
J. L. Levister .....	600.00	
G. A. Edwards .....	800.00	
Ida J. Brown .....	500.00	
Jennie M. Linton on acc't. ....	100.00	
B. Maie Boyd .....	369.37	
Charlotte Murray .....	480.00	
Addie E. Whittier .....	400.00	
Mrs. L. H. Johnson .....	80.63	
Emily C. Ayer.....	400.00	
Emma L. Miller .....	360.00	
May C. Hamilton .....	320.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 8,960.00

## SUMMARY.

## RECEIPTS.

Medical Department .....	\$ 10,059.62	
Pharmacy Department .....	1,650.00	
Law Department .....	204.00	
Literary Department .....	14,646.08	
Appropriations for Salaries.....	8,960.00	
Deficit .....	605.16	
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## EXPENDITURES.

Medical Department .....	\$ 10,939.22	
Pharmacy Department .....	1,339.29	
Law Department .....	330.76	
Literary Department .....	14,555.59	
Salaries from Appropriations .....	8,960.00	
	<hr/>	\$36,124.86

Fraternally submitted,

CHARLES FRANCIS MESERVE,

President.